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ANOTHER GAME LOST ON SATURDAY TO THE FREDERICKSBURG COLLEGE

William and Mary Played good game But
Could Not Make the Needed Runs

William and Mary received a surprise in the shape of a 2-0 defeat at the hands of the Fredericksburg nine on Saturday, after the latter had been severely drubbed by the Spiders.

Boneheaded errors and poor batting tell the whole story. Jones pitched a good game, striking out seven men, walking two, neither of whom scored; and allowing but three clean hits, one of which should have been an easy out, except for the high wind.

SCORE IN FIRST INNING

The visitors scored in the first inning, W. Somerville getting his base, on Taylor's muff of an easy fly, and coming home in T. Somerville's single. In the same period Garth reached first on error, pilfered second, but was caught at home, after being advanced by Games' slow roller; Dix and Healy singled in a second, but a neat double ended all hope.

In the sixth, Gammon hit and stole second. Jones threw bad in an attempt to catch him, and Healy in centerfield watched the ball roll gently past him, whereupon Gammon sauntered home.

After the first four innings, the visitors had not enough to do to keep them awake, gentle rollers and lady-like pop-flies braking up the monotony.

Somerville, W., Gammon, Freeman, and T. Somerville starred for the visitors, while Games, Garth, Jones and Dix played best for William and Mary, the latter getting three healthy singles out of four times at bat. Addison, who replaced Taylor in the seventh, robbed Freeman of a hit by a pretty stopped grounder and throw to first.

SUMMARY

Fredericksburg—Runs: Somerville, W., Gammon; singles: Somerville, W., Gammon, Somerville, T. (2); stolen bases: Gammon, Somerville, T.; double play: Somerville, W. to Williams; bases on balls: off Freeman (2); struck out, by Freeman (3).

William and Mary—Singles: Garth, Games, Healy. Dix (3); stolen bases: Garth (3), Games, Dix; bases on balls: off Jones (2); struck out: by Jones (7).

MARCH NUMBER OF THE MAGAZINE HAS MANY EXCELLENT CONTRIBUTIONS

Dr. Wilson's Article on The Origin of the Honor
System is fine treatment of the Subject

The March number of the Magazine made its appearance last week, and is filled with some very excellent material.

The first contribution is a piece of verse entitled "Elise." This has a decidedly reminiscent beauty, and is happy in its rhyme scheme.

ESSAY ON THE HONOR SYSTEM

Dr. James Southall Wilson's essay on The Origin of the Honor System is the most notable number in this issue of the Magazine. He has at once prepared a most readable essay and done a service for the College that has been long needed. The evolution of the famous System, which was first instituted here, and which has been adopted by the leading colleges and universities of the country, is shown in a clear and interesting way.

VERSE AND STORIES

Mr. Jackson's "Eve o' June" is another beautiful little bit of verse that breaths of that half melancholy which all too often goes hand in hand with beauty, and the days that were, "Heart o' Rose" is not less desirable, and is especially unique in its form; and "A Song" takes the reader back to "a quaint old house in Shadow Street" where a voice may still be heard.

Two good stories are in this issue, "Squaring Accounts" is the first and has the chief quality desired in a short story—the manner of ending is well concealed until the last. "Fulfillment" is a pretty little account of happy ever after.

The departments are well handled as usual.

COLLEGE VS. ACADEMY

On Monday afternoon, the Varsity lined up against the William and Mary Academy on Cary Field at three o'clock. Ed. Addison pitched good ball for the Academy, and Zehner caught well for the same. The battery for the College was Winsbro and Bat Peachy. During the first part of the game a large number of runs were made by the Varsity partly because of many costly errors by the Ducs, but toward the close the latter seemed to settle down and played a fairly stiff game. Final score ten to nothing in favor of the College.

RECEPTION FOR DR. BATCHELLER HELD IN THE COLLEGE LIBRARY

After Addresses in the Chapel, Party Retired
to Library, then to the Athletic Field

Dr. George Clinton Batcheller, of New York City, was the guest of the College during Saturday. This prominent manufacturer, capitalist, and public benefactor, arrived on the morning train, and was accompanied by his friend Colonel Saint-Clair of New York and Florida.

Dr. Tyler met the guests at the train, and the party was taken to historic Jamestown in automobiles. Luncheon was served at the home of the President at one o'clock.

ADDRESS AND RECEPTION

At two thirty o'clock a large crowd of ladies and gentlemen of the City, and students of the College assembled in the Chapel, where short addresses were made by Dr. Tyler, who introduced the speaker of the occasion, Dr. Batcheller, who made a pointed and complementary speech on the fame of the old Institution.

After the addresses the large number of people repaired to the Library where the reception was held. Afterwards the greater part of those present attended the baseball game between Fredericksburg College and William and Mary.

TRACK MEET NOT HELD

The field meet that was to have been held on Cary Field on the sixth was found to be impossible on account of the absence and sickness of some of the best participants. The representatives who were to have been chosen then to go to the University for the meet on Lambeth Field have been chosen by the coach, and are McAllister who will compete in the long distance runs, and Metcalf who will put the shot.

LECTURE BY DR. WEATHERFORD

The Y. M. C. A. has secured Dr. W. D. Weatherford, a graduate of Vanderbilt University, to deliver an address here on Friday the 19th. William and Mary is fortunate in securing this man who is so well known here on account of his book, "Negro Life in the South," and he was able to give but two addresses for the whole State. It is earnestly hoped that no other college activity will conflict with this date.

N N O SOCIETY HOLDS ANNUAL INITIATION ON THURSDAY EVENING

Five New Members added to the List. Further
Arrangements Made for the German

Thursday evening the N N O Society performed its regular Spring Initiation, the first feature being the long singlefile parade in hood and cowl to the moving pictures. There the neophytes performed several interesting feats for the crowd assembled.

LIST OF MEMBERS

The list of the senior members of the Society includes, Messrs. Thos. H. Geddy, Jr., Wm. Elliott Dold, Jr., Wm. Kavanaugh Doty, Bathurst D. Peachy, Jr., Theophilus Barrow, Jr., Roy Chetwood Deal, E. R. Willcox, Robert Bruce Jackson and MacMaster Lloyd.

Those initiated into the Society were, Messrs. Thomas Chapman Tilley, Joe Hall, William L. Parker, Alan Fred English and Daingerfield Spencer.

The german te be given next week was arranged for. Committees were appointed to attend to the various departments.

SOMETHING CONCERNING COBURN PLAYERS

The Coburn Players have attracted widespread attention at Columbia, Harvard, Yale, Princeton, Bryn Mawr and many other colleges where alfresco performances have been of unusual interest. They appear under their auspices yearly and the heads of these institutions are unanimous in praising the unusually fine performances of this band of woodland players. A most interesting feature of the performances is that they will be given with only the sky for a roof and with a natural background of forest with trees and shrubs for the setting. The night performances will be lighted by powerful calciums which throw the tree-bowered stage into fine relief and the audience into obscurity, as it should be. The music incidental to the performance is not played by instruments but sung by a chorus of men's voices rendering the quaint old songs of Shakespeare's day in an exquisitely entertaining fashion. The company is a particularly good one composed as it is of men and women who besides being thoroughly competent experienced actors and Shakespearean students who

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BASEBALL

Here just on the eve of the Northern baseball tour of the William and Mary Team, it may not be out of place for the HAT to express itself in a sort of haphazard way upon the baseball situation. This is by no means expert opinion, for we do not know as much about baseball as Dr. Cook does about the North Pole, however, if a comparison is made with this year and last, the state of affairs is not hopeless yet by a mile. The team of last spring started off with an ordinary stride, but it wound the season up with the most gratifying results. The first cup for many years was borne home with comparative ease.

The games lost so far were hardly of enough importance to arouse the spirit of the Nine. It is not pleasant to have lost them, neither is it destruction not to have won them. The players have not yet gotten together, they are for the most part young, and for the greater part inexperienced. The failure of Spencer to return also was dispiriting. Still there is sufficient opportunity for victory. If we shall only show the Yale pluck we shall doubtless share the Randolph-Macon luck.

The way in which the Student-body has borne itself with regard to the unhappy results so far, has been most admirable. There have been but few complaints. Each man has taken for granted that the team

has done its best, and can and will do better. This is real college spirit and College loyalty. It is easy to shout Rah! Rah! in victory, but the encouraging word in the face of defeat is pretty hard to utter. But at least the young men have been kind in their silence instead of repeated 'knocking.'

ANOTHER SUGGESTION AS TO OUR NAME

Some weeks ago, we printed an article on the possible origin of the name Flat Hat. It was suggested that it might have come from a contemporary style in ladies' hats, adopted by the founders of the Club, as a name. Recently, we have received the appended letter from Miss Maria Pendleton Duval, President of Stuart Hall, in which she offers another suggestion as to the reason for the name of The Flat Hat Club. We take pleasure in printing her letter. It is unique and interesting, in itself, and coming from Miss Duval, a strong friend and admirer of the College it is doubly pleasant to us to publish it. To the Editor of THE FLAT HAT:

In a recent copy of your paper I note an article on the probable origin of the name "Flat Hat."

May I offer a suggestion in the form of another idea about the same?

During the early days of our Country the feeling between Cavalier and Puritan was very strong, representing the dissension about Churchly things and non-Churchly. The Puritans were recognized by the peculiar high crowned hat which they much affected as an expression of their contempt for the low crowned hat of the Clergy of the English Church. Since the College was founded by the Cavalier, or Church party, may not the name "Flat Hat" have been chosen to represent those who persistently opposed the Puritan or dissenting party?

The strong feeling of antagonism begun in the Old Country much of necessity have been retained, to some extent, in the New, and to my mind it means far more than a name given by reason of a passing fashion. It seems rather to represent a deep and abiding faith in the historic Church on the one side, as against a stern and fanatical prejudice against the Church on the other. Just one more instance of the famous oil and water problem. I hope my views will bring forth others and that history may throw some light on the subject.

Maria P. Duval
Stuart Hall, Staunton, Va.

The Aero Club of the University of Virginia is to be commended upon the exhibitions given there the past week.

DR. BATCHELLER'S VISIT

It is always a pleasure to have those who are interested in the College as our guests. In the visit of Dr. Batcheller we were especially happy. Perhaps there is no one who is more deeply interested in the welfare of the Institution than he, nor one who has more generously contributed to her upbuilding. He was one of those who made the handsome Library possible, and in many other ways he has shown his friendship and good will. We are glad to be able to assure him that he will always receive a hearty welcome in Williamsburg whenever he may have an opportunity of coming.

The editorial of last week on the Summer School seems to have been misunderstood by some of the Student-body who regarded it as an attack on Southwest Virginia. This view is erroneous, and the remarks would have been the same had the school been proposed for any other section of the state. Nothing was directed toward the Southwest from which the College has received some very desirable young men.

We were glad to receive again "The Wau Gau Rac" of the North Carolina A. and M. College, and hope that its continuance will not be interrupted hereafter. Here's good luck, and a long life!

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IN AND OUT OF COLLEGE TOPICS

The essay on Owls prepared by Mr.
Raymond G. Meredith for English
IV was not well received. He di-
vided his subject into two equal
parts—a la the well-known College
joke.

Professor Prince, for a long time
a member of the Faculty of Dickin-
son College, was at the College Fri-
day.

The musicale which has been in
the course of preparation for some
time at the Williamsburg Institute
will be given tonight.

A large number of William and
Mary men will appear in stellar roles
in the Cantata at the Mathew Wha-
ley School entitled "The House that
Jack Built." This is to be one of
the many post-Lenten society events
of Williamsburg.

Mr. Joe Pretzman will spend Eas-
ter week at his home in Texas.

A student in the Chaucer Class
said recently that the name given
by the Norman conquerors as a sub-
stitute for "dog" was "Bologna." Not
less brilliant was Sweeney Blitz-
er's suggestion as to the silent "X"
in soap.

Try a "Mother Goose," the new-
est spring fad.

Question in Economics—What an-
imal has eleven pairs of twins?

Miss Brown, the attractive guest
of Mrs. George Preston Coleman,
left yesterday to return to her home
near Lynchburg, via Richmond.

Mr. John Breckenridge, 1905, was
a guest at the Kappa Alpha House
yesterday and today.

Mrs. Alfred Hart Miles has re-
turned from a visit in Richmond.

Prof Thomas Jefferson Stubbs,
Jr., of Richmond, was in William-
sburg, through Saturday and Sunday,
to see his parents, Dr. and Mrs.
Stubbs.

Miss Morrison and Miss Van, teach-
ers in the Newport News schools,
spent the day at the Model School
on Tuesday. They expressed them-
selves as being delighted with the
work and the spirit of the school.

Mr William Byrd Lee has return-
ed to the College for the remain-
der of the session.

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Lenny Mayer, both of Norfolk, Vir-
ginia, have formed a limited part-
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pose of constructing some new ten-
nis courts on the Campus. Ground
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terprise, and the courts, which will
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DR. STUBBS OUT AGAIN

It was a source of great pleasure to the entire City and College to see Dr. Thomas J. Stubbs on the street again Saturday. After an illness of several weeks, during which he has been greatly missed, he has almost completely recovered, and may be able to resume his lectures in the Department of Mathematics at the last of this week if weather conditions are not too severe.

NEW LAKE PROPOSED

Professor John Tyler has just conceived of a new landscape improvement in the rear of the College domain in the form of a lake. The Class in Surveying will be commissioned to carry out the engineering if the plans are accepted by the Board of Visitors. This new feature would from the consensus of opinion add greatly to the College property; however, some have strenuously objected to it for fear of an encroachment on the Players' Dell which is an artistic and indispensable portion of the grounds.

MANAGER'S ANNOUNCEMENT

Manager English announces that the sale of season tickets will be discontinued after this week. Until Saturday, single tickets will be sold for \$2.25, and double tickets at \$3.75.

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Miss Elizabeth Bentley, and Miss
Mary Peterkin were the guests yes-
terday of Miss Mary Lyon Tyler.

Mr. Earl Baldwin Thomas has re-
turned from a week-end trip to Nor-
folk.

Mr. Theo. Barrow is in Smithfield.

Mr. Roy Deal is back from Nor-
folk.

Mr. Fred Hynson, an alumnus of
the College, has been in Williams-
burg since Thursday where he has
been the guest of the Kappa Sigma
Fraternity.

Judge Parker is back from the
metropolis of Hampton.

R. B. Jackson, Esq., was in Kes-
wick and Charlottesville from Fri-
day until Monday where he attended
several hunts, and some of the Eas-
ter gaities at the University.

A large number of tourists were
at the College on Monday sightsee-
ing. The most of them were here
with the excursion party which con-
tained about two hundred people.

Over half of the Student-body
journeyed home for the Easter Hol-
idays.

Mr. C. E. Koontz, '09, Principal
of Burkeville, Virginia, High School
was the guest of his cousin, Mr. A.
R. Koontz, through Sunday and
Monday.

The Epsilon Charge, Theta Delta
Chi Fraternity, will send a large de-
legation to the Annual Convention of
the Fraternity to be held in Wash-
ington this year, from Wednesday
until Sunday.

Mr. C. H. Long, who was a stu-
dent here last year, and who is now
attending the University of Penn-
sylvania, and the Philadelphia Di-
vinity School left Tuesday after a
week's visit.

Mr. Raymond Meredith, is rapid-
ly improving at his home in Nor-
folk. He expects to return this
week.

Mr. H. G. Parker spent the holi-
days in Hampton.

Mr. Robt. Henley, '05, of New
York, is in town for a week.

Messrs. Mac Lloyd, C. Leonard
Mayer, and Frank M. Mitchell spent
the holidays in Norfolk.

Mr. Gregory Spencer, Jr., is on a
brief visit here with his father.

Mr. E. R. Willcox has returned
from Norfolk.

Mr. Cox is at his home in Alexan-
dria, Virginia.

Business Manager W. H. Neblett,
of the Colonial Echo, has been in
Richmond for several days on busi-
ness for that publication.

Messrs. Joseph M. Hurt, Jr., John
Jackson, and Barbee Settle will re-
turn to the College for the Germans
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PLAY IN READINESS

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BASEBALL TEAM ON TRIP

The Baseball Team set out on the long Northern trip on the late train Tuesday, and will be away until Sunday. Those to make the trip were Peachy, Jones, Winsbro, Dix, Hall, Garth, Games, Alfried, Addison, Shiers, Coach Young and Manager English. The four games scheduled will be played.

The delay in THE HAT this week is the fault of the Editor. He had some trouble in collecting the news, with the Associate Editors on vacation.

SOMETHING CONCERNING COBURN PLAYERS

bring their enthusiasm to bear in their various parts.

In the production of the plays the greatest care has been exercised to insure the absolute authenticity of the costumes, songs and other details of the performance.

BOARD OF VISITORS AGAIN IN SESSION

The Board of Visitors of the College are in session again today, meeting in the Faculty Room, with Hon. Robert M. Hughes, Rector, presiding. They are here for the purpose of reviewing again the question of the summer school.

COACH YOUNG'S EXPRESSION

A FLAT HAT reporter approached Coach Young this morning for an opinion on the prospects of the Northern trip. He was as usual, reticent, but said in a comforting way,—"I don't believe there is much cause for worry, that bunch is coming all the time, and will continue to improve."

Coach Young was seen on Wednesday last with a young hyacinth on his lapel all of which goes to show that the powers of spring time cannot be reckoned.

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